

*The history*

Puffing at all, winnowss the light away,  
And what hath masse or matter by it selfe,  
Lyes rich in vertue and vnmingled.

*Nestor.* With due obseruance of the godlike seate,  
Great *Agamemnon*, *Nestor* shall apply  
Thy latest words, In the reproofe of chance,  
Lies the true prooffe of men; the sea being smooth,  
How many shallow bauble boates dare saile,  
Vpon her ancient brest, making their way  
With those of nobler bulke?

But let the ruffian *Boreas* once enrage  
The gentle *Thetis*, and anon, behold  
The strong ribbd barke through liquid mountaines cut,  
Bounding betweene the two moylt elements,  
Like *Perseus* horse. Where's then the sawcie boate,  
Whose weake vntymberd sides but euen now  
Corriualld greatnesse? either to harbor fled,  
Or made a toste for *Neptune*: euen so  
Doth valours shew, and valours worth deuide  
In stormes of fortune; for in her ray and brightnesse  
The heard hath more annoyance by the Bryze  
Then by the Tyger, but when the splitting winde,  
Makes flexible the knees of knotted Okes,  
And Flies fled vnder shade, why then the thing of courage,  
As rouzd with rage, with rage doth sympathize,  
And with an accent tun'd in selfe same key,  
Retires to chiding fortune.

*Ulyss.* *Agamemnon*,  
Thou great Commander, nerues and bone of Greece,  
Heart of our numbers, soule and onely spright,  
In whom the tempers and the minds of all  
Should be shut vp: heere what *Ulysses* speakes,  
Besides th'applause and approbation,  
The which most mighty (for thy place and sway  
And thou most reverend) for the stretcht out life,  
I giue to both your speeches; which were such  
As *Agamemnon* and the hand of Greece,  
Should hold vp high in brasse, and such againe

*of Troilus and*

As venerable *Nestor* (hatcht in  
Should with a bond of ayre stro  
(On which heauen rides) knit a  
To his experienc't tongue, yet l  
Thou great and wise, to heare  
Troy yet vpon his bases had be  
And the great *Hectors* sword ha  
But for these instances.  
The specialtie of rule hath been  
And looke how many Grecian  
Hollow vpon this plaine, so ma  
When that the generall is not  
To whom the forragers shall all  
What honey is expected? Deg  
Th'vnworthiest shewes as fair  
The heauens them-selues, the p  
Obserue degree, prioritie and  
In silture, course, proportion, fe  
Office and custome, in all line o  
And therefore is the glorious p  
In noble eminence enthron'd a  
Amidst the other; whose med  
Corrects the influence of euill  
And posts like the Commandm  
Sans check to good and bad, Bu  
In euill mixture to disorder wa  
What plagues, and what porten  
What raging of the sea, shakin  
Commotion in the winds, frigh  
Diuert and crack, rend and den  
The vnitie and married calme c  
Quite from their fixure: O whe  
Which is the ladder of all high  
The enterprise is sick. How cou  
Degrees in schooles, and brothe  
Peacefull commerce from deni  
The primogenitie and due of b  
Prerogatiue of age, crownes, fo